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REMARKS

The application has been amended and is believed to be in condition for allowance.

Formal Matters

There are no formal matters outstanding.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 36-41, 46, 47, 50-55, and 58 are allowed.

Claims 26 and 27 are indicated to be directed to allowable subject matter.

Substantive Rejections

Claims 21, 22, 28, 31-35 and 57 were rejected as obvious over, CONNOLLY 4,303,067 in view of JONES 4,137,117.

 $\label{eq:theorem} \mbox{There is no need to address this rejection in view of }$ the claim amendments.

Claim Amendments

Claims 26 and 31 are cancelled.

Claim 27 is amended to depend from claim 21.

Claim 21 has been amended to incorporate the recitations of allowable claim 26.

As claim 21 includes the features of allowable claim 26, allowance of claim 21 and its dependent claims is solicited.

The present amendment is believed to be fully responsive to the pending Official Action. Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. Applicant respectfully

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requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application; the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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